Funds lying unspent in Jharkhand under NREG Yojana

†2440. SHRl AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that around Rs.280 crores of National Rural Employment Guarantee Yojana is lying unspent with Jharkhand Government:

(b) if so, whether any clarification has been given by the State Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the action being taken by Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) NREGA is a demand based programme. Work is to be provided to a registered job seeker having a job card within 15 days of the demand. Funds are released to the districts on submission of a proposal alongwith a certificate indicating utilization of atleast 60% of the available resources. Unspent balance at the end of the financial year is carried forward to the next financial year as opening balance for that year. During the year 2006-07, the State had spent Rs. 711.55 crores out of the total available funds of Rs.982.21 crore. During 2007-08, the State has, so far, spent Rs.270.28 crores out of the total available funds of Rs.617.16 crores.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Allocation of funds under PMGSY to Sikkim

2441. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial allocation made by Government to Sikkim under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the last three years and till date; and

(b) the details roads constructed and repaired, district-wise, under the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) Normative allocation and funds released against this allocation by the Central Government to State of Sikkim under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) since 2004-05 are as under:-

Year	Allocation	Funds released
2004-05	Rs. 20.00 crore	NH
2005-06	Rs. 25.00 crore	Rs. 41.20 crore
2006-07	Rs. 25.00 crore	Rs. 36.85 crore
2007-08	Rs. 30.00 crore	Rs. 64.50 crore*

♦ Upto 31st August, 2007

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), construction of 89 roads covering length of 1732 km. has been completed in the State up to July, 2007. Repair of roads is part of maintenance activity which is not funded under the programme.

The district-wise details of roads constructed and repaired are not maintained by the Ministry.

Total Sanitation Campaign Programme in Karnataka

2442. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Karnataka has submitted a number of proposals for approval of the Central Government concerning Communication and Capacity Development Units at various places in the State under Total Sanitation Campaign Programme; and

(b) if so, the details and Government's response thereto and the present status of each proposal, including those approved earlier and release of instalment pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) The Communication and Capacity Development Unit (CCDU) is a State level body supported by Government of India. The proposal received from Government of Karnataka to establish a Communication and Capacity Development Unit (CCDU) for implementation of the Total Sanitation campaign was approved in 2005-06. Funds are released annually as per approved activities. The total funds released till date is Rs. 277.86 lakh, of which Rs. 120.59 lakh was released in March, 2005 and Rs. 157.27 lakh released in May, 2007.

Bailing out weavers of Nagpur region from financial crisis

†2443. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the weavers' association of Nagpur region of Maharashtra have not been paid full arrears of last year under Deendayal Hathkargha Scheme so far;

(b) if so, the reasons for non-payment of full amount; and

(c) the efforts made by Government to bailout the weavers from financial crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. This Office had considered the claim for release

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